

made pursuant to applicant's Amendment dated August 18, 2004 do not introduce new matter into this application.

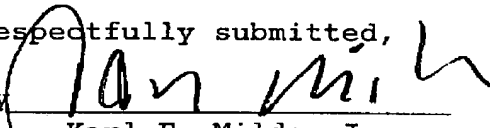
Furthermore, applicant states that the Substitute Specification, filed together with applicant's Amendment dated August 18, 2004, is the same as the amended specification (which includes the specification, claims and Abstract) pursuant to that Amendment.

Applicant's undersigned attorney wishes to thank the Examiner in charge of this application, Mr. Dennis H. Pedder, for the courtesy and cooperation he extended during the telephone conference on September 14, 2004. In this telephone conference, Mr. Pedder explained that applicant's attorney had omitted the statements above in the Amendment filed August 18, 2004.

This application is now believed to be in condition for further examination and eventual allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

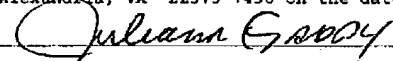
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